

assistance so far in the State of West Bengal.

During the 8th five Year Plan NCDC would consider proposals for dairy and popular projects in the State of West Bengal keeping in view the provisions made in the State budget and also the technoeconomic feasibility and viability of such projects. for dairy projects, however, such assistance would be considered by NCDC only in non-operation flood districts which are not covered by NDDB.

Fish Farms

2757. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to increase the yield at fish farms:

(b) the total yield expected during 1991-92;

(c) whether the Government have introduced a new imported technology to boost fish production;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the species of Indian fish most sought in export market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE: (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) 365 Fish Farmers Development Agencies (FFDAs) have been sanctioned for aquaculture development. The subsidy on input for fish culture and reclamation of ponds has been enhanced during 1991-92 under FFDA. the subsidy for construction of new ponds and running water fish culture is also now provided under FFDA to increase the yield from inland fishers resources.

(b) The total yield from inland fisheries resources during 1992-92 was 15.36 lakh tonnes. The expected yield during 1991-92 is about 15.90 lakh tonnes.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

(e) Prawn is most sought after fish in export market.

[English]

Increase of Police force in Madhya Pradesh

2758. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh had sent any proposal to the Union Government for increasing the police force in the state;

(b) whether the Union government have accorded the approval; and

(c) if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLAIMANTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). Police being State subject, the question of Union Government granting approval to the State Government for increasing the police force does not arise.

Indo-Kuwait Joint Commission

2759. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Indo-Kuwaiti joint Com-

mission is proposed to be set-up to strengthen bilateral cooperation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which commission would start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVASINH SOLANKI): (a) to (c). India and Kuwait signed a cooperation agreement on February 16, 1992 during my official visit to Kuwait. The agreement provides for, inter alia, establishment of a Joint commission which would be set up as soon as the procedural formalities are completed by the two countries.

[English]

~~Damage Caused by Earthquake~~

2760. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several cracks have developed in the road between Uttarkashi-Gangotri and Tehri-Buda Kedamath;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have conducted any survey in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken to prevent the landslides?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMCHANDRAN): (a) to (e). The Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]

Applications for Registration of Voluntary Organisations

2761. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms fixed for getting foreign contribution by the voluntary organisation;

(b) the number of applications of such organisations lying pending for registration in Bihar; and

(c) the steps taken to expedite the registration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Sir, the receipt and utilisation of foreign contribution by certain categories of associations and persons is regulated under the provisions of the foreign contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976.

(b) Sixty nine applications were pending for registrations as on 31.12. 1991.

(c) Applications are dealt with expeditiously when the associations have furnished complete information.

Cooperative Storage Project

2762. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the assistance provided by National Cooperative Development Corporation under European Economic Community 'Funder Cooperative Storage project' during the last three years, State-wise;